

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT Public Works	(2) MEETING DATE 11/20/2012	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Ryan Chapman, Traffic Engineer (805) 781-1406	
(4) SUBJECT Submittal of a resolution to apply for State-Local Partnership Program Funds to construct traffic signal improvements at the Los Berros Road US 101 Interchange, Nipomo. District 4.			
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is our recommendation that your Honorable Board adopt the attached resolution which authorizes the Director of Public Works, or his designee, to apply for funding under the State-Local Partnership Program to construct traffic signal improvements at the Los Berros Road US 101 Interchange in Nipomo.			
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) N/A	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT N/A	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT N/A	(9) BUDGETED? N/A
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing (Time Est. _____) <input type="checkbox"/> Board Business (Time Est. _____)			
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resolutions <input type="checkbox"/> Contracts <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinances <input type="checkbox"/> N/A			
(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) N/A		(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? BAR ID Number: N/A <input type="checkbox"/> 4/5th's Vote Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
(14) LOCATION MAP Attached	(15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT? No	(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A Date _____	
(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW <i>Nikki J. Schmidt</i>			
(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) District 4 -			

Reference: 12NOV20-C-4

County of San Luis Obispo



TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Public Works

Ryan Chapman, Traffic Engineer

VIA: Frank Honeycutt, Transportation Division Manager

DATE: 11/20/2012

SUBJECT: Submittal of a resolution to apply for State-Local Partnership Program Funds to construct traffic signal improvements at the Los Berros Road US 101 Interchange, Nipomo. District 4.

RECOMMENDATION

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DISCUSSION

In November of 2006, Proposition 1B was approved by the voters authorizing \$19 billion for transportation improvements statewide. Of that amount, \$1 billion was set aside under the State-Local Partnership Program (SLPP) to be used to match local funding for needed transportation improvements.

Implementation of the SLPP fund distribution provided for the majority of funding to be set aside to reward those Counties which have established a half-cent sales tax for transportation improvements, which is commonly referred to as "Self-Help" Counties. The remaining Counties have only \$50 million dollars set aside to compete for potential SLPP funding. The criteria to compete for SLPP funding include the requirement that the County have a uniform developer fee for transportation mitigation. Funding is also limited to \$1 million for any one project per fiscal year of program allocation.

To date, the County has received \$2.8 million in SLPP for work at Willow Road Interchange and Los Osos Valley Road. Our next qualified project for application would be signalizing the intersection of Los Berros Road and the south bound ramps of US 101. Motorists have experienced an increase in delays and access from the off ramp due to intersection geometry. Signalizing the intersection would address the current issues. This work constitutes the first phase of a Los Berros Road US 101 Interchange project that is slated to be primarily funded through the Nipomo Area 2 Roadway Improvement Fee (RIF) Program.

This is an additional application call for the FY 2012/13 program allocation since there were additional funds available to distribute; applications are due to the California Transportation Commission (CTC) by November 30, 2012. Selection and award of funding is expected shortly thereafter. The CTC guidelines require that SLPP funds be encumbered within six months of award. Therefore, projects need to be shovel ready or nearly shovel ready to compete for SLPP funds.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT

The California Transportation Commission will be overseeing the selection and distribution of funds to selected projects under this program. Funding would be distributed directly to the County if successful. Caltrans and SLOCOG support this project. Caltrans has stated they would issue the necessary permits to construct the project.

County Counsel has reviewed the attached resolution as to legal form and effect.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The funding request would be in the amount of \$200,000 for SLPP fund; half the cost of the expected \$400,000 project. The Nipomo Area 2 RIF Account has sufficient funds available, to match grant funding as necessary for this project.

RESULTS

Approval of the recommended action would authorize the Department of Public Works to apply for grant funding to create a safe and livable community.

c: Ron DeCarli, SLOCOG, Executive Director
Tim Gibbins – Caltrans District 5 Director

File: WBS 300491 – Traffic Signal – Los Berros Road at US Hwy 101

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Vicinity Map
2. Resolution Authorizing the Director of Public Works to Apply for Grant Funding for the Proposed Signalization and Associated Road Work at the Intersection of Los Berros and the South Bound 101 Ramps/North Frontage Road under the State-Local Partnership Program and Execute Local Agency-State Agreements with the California Transportation Commission